## CAST OF CHARACTERS

Cast of characters from "In the Shadow of the King" by Deborah O'Toole

## \*denotes fictional character

- Sir John Alan, Lord Chancellor of Ireland (incidental character)
- ❖ Catherine of Aragon (Henry VIII's first wife; mother of Mary I)
- ❖ Barry Barber\* (horse-tender at Greenwich Palace; incidental character)
- Sir Edward Bellingham, Lord Deputy of Ireland to 1549 (incidental character)
- Elizabeth "Bessie" Blount (Henry VIII's mistress; mother of his son Henry FitzRoy)
- Anne Boleyn (Henry VIII's second wife; mother of Elizabeth I)
- Elizabeth (Howard) Boleyn (Anne Boleyn's mother)
- George Boleyn (Anne Boleyn's brother)
- ❖ Jane (Parker) Boleyn (George Boleyn's wife)
- Mary Boleyn (Anne Boleyn's older 's sister)
- ❖ Sir Thomas Boleyn (Anne Boleyn's father)
- ❖ Sir Charles Brandon (Duke of Suffolk; close friend to Henry VIII)
- Sir William Brereton (Groom of the Privy Chamber)
- ❖ Elizabeth Brooke (wife of Sir Thomas Wyatt; incidental character)
- ❖ Sir Francis Bryan (main character in 1509-1550 storyline)
- Friskers Bryan\* (Sheila Bryan's pet cat)
- ❖ Glinda Bryan \* (modern Thomas Bryan's pet cat)
- Lady Margaret Bryan (Francis Bryan's mother)
- ❖ Nasir Bryan\* (Francis Bryan's pet greyhound at Marsworth)
- Sheila Bryan\* (main character in modern storyline)
- Sir Thomas Bryan (Francis Bryan's father)
- Thomas Bryan\* (modern day; incidental character)
- ❖ Lady Joan Fitzgerald Butler (Francis Bryan's second wife; mother of Francis Bryan II)
- Sir William Butts (incidental character; physician to Henry VIII)
- ❖ Lady Elizabeth (Bryan) Carew (Francis Bryan's younger sister)
- ❖ Sir Nicholas Carew (Master of the Horse after Guildford; Francis Bryan's brother-in-law)
- Eustace Chapuys (Imperial Ambassador)
- ❖ Anne of Cleves (Henry VIII's fourth wife)
- Lorenzo Campeggio (cardinal protector of England; incidental character)
- ❖ William Compton (Henry VIII's Groom of the Stool: 1509-1526)
- Thomas Cranmer (Archbishop of Canterbury, 1533-1555)
- Gregory Cromwell (son of Thomas Cromwell; incidental character)
- ❖ Sir Thomas Cromwell (Earl of Essex; chief minister to Henry VIII)
- Thomas Culpepper (Gentleman of the Privy Chamber)
- Etheldreda Dalton\* (cook at Marsworth; incidental character)

- François d'Angoulême (King François I of France)
- Elizabeth Darrell (mistress of Sir Thomas Wyatt; incidental character)
- Catalina de Cardones (Moorish servant to Catherine of Aragon; incidental character)
- ❖ Maria de Salinas (lady-in-waiting to Catherine of Aragon; incidental character)
- Sir Anthony Denny (Henry VIII's Groom of the Stool: 1546–1547; incidental character)
- Alice Drury\* (mistress of Sir Francis Bryan between 1509-1512)
- Dudley, John (1st Duke of Northumberland)
- ❖ Abigail Elwell (Sir Francis Bryan's mistress 1517-18; mother of John Bryan Elwell)
- ❖ John Bryan Elwell (Sir Francis Bryan's bastard son with Abigail Elwell)
- Shane Gallagher\* (gobán caretaker at Butler Castle; modern timeline)
- Henry FitzRoy, Duke of Richmond & Somerset (Henry VIII's bastard son)
- ❖ Lady Frances Grey, Duchess of Suffolk (née Lady Frances Brandon)
- Sir Henry Guildford (Master of the Horse; Francis Bryan's brother-in-law)
- Lady Margaret (Meg Bryan) Guildford (Francis Bryan's older sister)
- Anne Harris (Henry VIII's laundress; incidental character)
- Lady Anne Hastings, Countess of Huntingdon (incidental character)
- Michael Havers\* (gardener at Marsworth; Robin Havers' father)
- Robin Havers\* (Francis Bryan's valet)
- Sir Thomas Heneage (Henry VIII's Groom of the Stool: 1536–1546)
- Lady Agnes Howard, Countess of Surrey (incidental character)
- Sir Edward Howard (second son of the Duke of Norfolk)
- ❖ Sir Henry Howard (Earl of Surrey; son of Thomas Howard, 3rd Duke of Norfolk)
- ❖ Katherine Howard (Henry VIII's fifth wife)
- ❖ Thomas Howard (2nd Duke of Norfolk; father of Edward; incidental character)
- Thomas Howard (3rd Duke of Norfolk; Lord Admiral; incidental character)
- Daniel Kent\* (modern Thomas Bryan's friend and solicitor)
- Joan Larke (mistress of Cardinal Wolsey; incidental character)
- Piers Marsden\* (Alice Drury's first lover; incidental character)
- Benjamin (Ben) McCardle\* (Sheila's friend & co-worker at Bowdoin College)
- Annie McLennan\* (maid of current Baron Drury; incidental character)
- William Meacham\* (carpenter and carver; incidental character)
- Father Billy Meehan\* (parish priest in Clonmel; incidental character in modern storyline)
- Sir Thomas More (lawyer; once Henry VIII's Lord High Chancellor)
- Sir Henry Norris (Henry VIII's Groom of the Stool: 1526 to his execution in 1536)
- ❖ Macha O'Donovan\* (cook/housekeeper at Butler Castle in modern storyline)
- Órlaith Ó Maolagáin\* (scullery maid at Butler Castle; incidental character)
- Catherine Parr (Henry VIII's sixth wife)
- Sir Thomas Parr (Catherine Parr's father; incidental character)
- Sir Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland (incidental character)
- ❖ Angela Perrette-Quillon\* (Francis Bryan's mistress in France)
- Charlotte Bryan Quillon\* (Francis & Angela's illegitimate daughter)
- Margaret Pole, Countess of Salisbury (incidental character)

- ❖ Reginald Pole (son of Margaret; Archbishop of Canterbury, 1556-1558)
- ❖ Prince Edward (Henry VIII's son, later King Edward VI)
- Princess Elizabeth (Henry VIII's daughter, later Queen Elizabeth I)
- Princess Mary (Henry VIII's daughter, later Queen Mary I)
- Princess Mary, Duchess of Suffolk (Henry VIII's sister; married to Charles Brandon)
- ❖ Madelyn Sanders\* (cook & maid at The Strand house)
- Edward Seymour (Jane Seymour's brother; incidental character)
- ❖ Jane Seymour (Henry VIII's third wife; mother of Edward VI)
- Thomas Seymour (Jane Seymour's older brother)
- ❖ Michael Sheehan\* (accountant from Clonmel Village in modern storyline)
- ❖ Mark Smeaton (Anne Boleyn's musician)
- Will Somers (Henry VIII's fool)
- ❖ Phillipa Spice (Francis Bryan's first wife; mother of Edmund Bryan)
- ❖ Edward Stafford, Duke of Buckingham (cousin to Henry VIII)
- ❖ Professor John Stokesely (Magdalen College, Oxford; incidental character)
- Eleanor Townshend\* (cook at Marsworth; incidental character)
- Henry Tudor (King Henry VIII)
- ❖ Vecelli (Titian) Tiziano (Italian painter; incidental character)
- Dr. Thomas Wendy (incidental character; physician to Henry VIII)
- Sir Francis Weston (Gentleman of the Privy Chamber; incidental character)
- ❖ Joshua Williams\* (Dean of Bowdoin College; incidental character)
- ❖ Thomas Wolsey (Cardinal & Lord Chancellor)
- ❖ Arthur Woodgate\* (son of Alice Drury & Edward Woodgate; incidental character)
- Cassandra Woodgate\* (daughter of George Woodgate; incidental character)
- ❖ Edward Woodgate\* (Alice Drury's husband; 1489-1539)
- ❖ George Woodgate\* (current Baron Drury; 2021; incidental character)
- Oliver Woodgate\* (grandson of George Woodgate; incidental character)
- Sybil Woodgate\* (daughter of Alice Drury & Edward Woodgate; governess)
- Sir Thomas Wyatt (poet & ambassador)

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